PRESIDENT: Before adjourning for lunch I should like to take the decision of this honourable House on one matter. Would the honourable members like to have the answers for the rest of the questions tomorrow or after lunch ?

SADASYATILAKA T. K. VELU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): Tomorrow.

The sense of the House was taken and it was decided to answer the remaining questions the next day.

The House adjourned for lunch at 1 P. M. and met again at 2 P. M. with the President in the Chair.

PRESIDENT: Order, order. Before the House proceeds for further business I have to mention a matter which I am sure will be approved by the honourable members of this House. This is what I have to announce: The members of the Legislature will, for the duration of the War, be given an increased daily allowance of Rs. 6 instead of Rs. 5 allowed hitherto.

ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS.

PRESIDENT: Order, order. I have received a number of notices for adjournment motions. Many of the points covered were dealt with in my speech and my idea was to try and put, as much as possible, the policy of the Government before the house, so that there might be no necessity for further discussion. The first is from Mr. Narayana Kurup which is as follows :

1. "I beg leave to move that the business of this House be adjourned to discuss a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, the difficulties and loss experienced by the public for the purchase of the necessary daily articles of essential commodities, due to the dearth or scarcity of change for the rupees throughout the State".

The motion was not pressed.

The following motions also were not pressed.

2. MR. N. NARAYANA KURUP:
"I beg leave to move that the business of this House be adjourned to discuss a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, the dissatisfaction and unrest prevalent among the public due to the disparity and inequality shown in rationing rice in the different towns of the State and the coastal areas".

3. MR. K. R. NARAYANAN:
"I beg leave to move for the adjournment of the business of the House for discussing an urgent matter of public importance, *viz.*, the serious situation created in Kottayam Division in general and in Vaikom taluk in particular on account of the present scarcity of essential food materials".

4. MR. A. K. KUMARAN VAIDYAN:
"I beg leave to move for the adjournment of the business of the House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, *viz*, the distress of the people of the State on account of the shortage of food materials".

5. MR. K. R. NARAYANAN:
"I beg leave to move for the adjournment of the business of the House for discussing an urgent matter of public importance, *viz*, the situation created among the agriculturists in the country on account of the recent measures adopted by the Government for ascertaining the stock and the purchase by them of the current Kumbhom harvest of paddy ignoring more convenient and less troublesome and less costly means to attain the same purpose for which these measures are adopted".

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